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The present Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to the issuance of a first Office Action in the present application.

German reference 897 107 discloses a form cylinder for a rotary printing machine, which form cylinder has a cast cylinder body which is slipped onto a shaft and secured axially between cones. This reference is discussed in greater detail in the specification of the present application and the Examiner's attention is respectfully directed to that discussion.

The remaining references were cited in a German application corresponding to the present application.

German reference 198 48 184 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,186,065, a copy of which is also enclosed. This reference has a publication date subsequent to the priority date of the present application.

German reference 195 27 761 discloses a method for fixing a printing sleeve on a printing roller. Applicants do not have an English language translation of this reference readily available.

German reference 296 01 151 discloses a cylindrical body. Applicants also do not have an English language translation of this reference readily available.

German reference 198 05 898 discloses a printing unit for a rotary printing machine. This reference corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,085,650, a copy of which is enclosed.

German reference 27 00 118 discloses a printing ro!l. Applicants do not have an English language translation of this reference readily available.

European reference 05 86 881 discloses a rotary web printing machine for printing thick paper webs. Applicants do not have an English language translation of this reference readily available. However, an English language abstract thereof is enclosed.

The present invention defines a specific cylinder of a rotary printing machine which is not believed to be disclosed by the enclosed references.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the

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